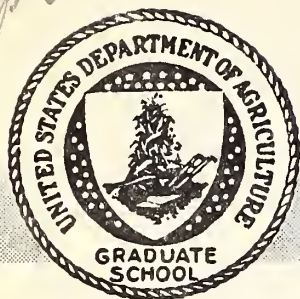


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# Newsletter

GRADUATE SCHOOL ★ USDA

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To the Faculty, Committee Members and  
others associated with the Graduate School:

"The faculty-committee dinner meeting,"

I wrote Frank H. Sette, our chairman who could not be present, "was just what you'd planned and wanted it to be. We were only sorry that you could not be there to see the fruits of your planning.

"Everything moved along smoothly. The food could not have been better. Secretary Brannan gave a good talk. He said he was proud that GS is in Agriculture, proud of its tremendous growth. He hopes it will continue to receive the active, intelligent, hard-hitting support it has had in the past. The time will come, in his opinion, when public service will be a calling of great honor and distinction here as it is now in one or two other countries.

"Even an unscheduled talk by John D. Black of Harvard was fitted nicely into the program. Among other things, he said he didn't know of an in-service program that compares with or is so highly regarded and so effective as GS.

"Harry Trelogan did a splendid job as chairman. He feels strongly that the completeness of your planning made it possible for him to take over for you in the last few days with no difficulties. He has been designated as chairman for the 1952 session.

"We spoke, you know, of the possibility of a post-dinner session of the committee to pool ideas for use next year. I hope the group can be convened for a session while the experience is fresh in their minds."

And I hope others of you who attended the dinner will give Dr. Trelogan or other members of the committee your suggestions for making this annual affair of real service to all of us.

An international training center

for aerial surveys will soon be in operation at Delft, the Netherlands. Marshall Wright of the GS Physical Sciences department tells me that the Center will be sponsored by the United Nations and will occupy facilities made possible by a million dollar grant from the Netherlands governments. Applications for UN fellow and scholarships may be made through the State department.

### Enrollment is up.

this semester, 24 percent over that of fall, 1950. Biggest increase says Registrar Louise Sullivan, is in foreign language classes. The elementary classes were filled to capacity in the first two or three days of registration. Two new courses that have attracted a large number of students are Oceanography (50) and Specialized Analytical Techniques (33).

Departmentwise, we have 673 students enrolled in the 31 classes in Languages and Literature; 631 in 24 classes in Office Techniques and Operations; 531 in the 29 classes in Technology; 467 in the 21 classes in public Administration; 438 in the 18 classes in Mathematics and Statistics; 303 in the 22 classes in Social Sciences; 205 in the 10 classes in Physical Sciences; and 14 in the 2 classes in Biological Sciences.

That adds up to 3,262 students in 157 classes. Twenty-nine classes scheduled for the fall semester were dropped when enrollments were not large enough to warrant continuation.

### Power of the printed word

is reaffirmed by M. J. Wasserman (GS Social Sciences) and J. D. Tate in an article, "The Citizen's Ephemerides of the Physiocrats" in the August issue of QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF ECONOMICS.

The authors say the little journal -- started in 1765 and edited by the Du Pont de Nemours -- added little to the physiocratic body of doctrine and theory. What it did "was to lower the levels of physiocratic exposition to capture a wider reading public; to gain a larger circle of friends and disciples, especially among the various rural segments of the population. Thus to this now almost forgotten economic journal must be given much of the credit for the influence wielded by the physiocratic school; an influence so disproportionate to the school's life span and size. And it should not be forgotten that the journal's part in setting up the framework of our capitalistic society was substantial."

### Pennsylvania Railroad

employees -- some 6,000 of them -- are enrolled in training courses in human relations at Penn State, Bethany College, the University of Buffalo, Ohio State, Purdue, and the University of Illinois. Worked out by the management training department at Penn State, the courses are designed to help good supervisors become better ones.

### Newest educational structure

at Michigan State is the Kellogg Center for Continuing Education. The 7-story building cost \$2,000,000, was financed largely through a grant from the Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek. It is designed to accommodate thousands of Michigan people who come to college each year for special courses and conferences to help improve vocational abilities and everyday living. The building also serves as a hotel laboratory for restaurant students at Michigan State.

Although no credit

is given, 21 people are participating in the series of 4 lecture-seminars, arranged by Harry Alpert, on "The Federal Statistical System". The Seminars are held on alternate Mondays at the Bureau of the Budget.

PMA's training classes

for retailers and wholesalers of poultry and eggs are so popular that the demands exceed the personnel available to conduct them. More than 2,200 trainees have taken the one-day course in 34 cities.

ABOUT OURSELVES

We welcome O. B. Conoway

to our staff as assistant to the director. Dr. Conoway, who will take over his post about November 1, comes to us from Boston University where he is currently acting director of the Bureau of Public Administration and assistant professor of government.

Well known in USDA, Dr. Conoway, a West Virginian, began his Government career in 1941 as a junior information specialist in Farm Security Administration. He served successively in BAE's division of statistical and historical research as administrative assistant to O. C. Stine the division head, and as agricultural historian. He left the Department in 1947 to accept an instructorship in political science in the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, from which he later received his doctorate.

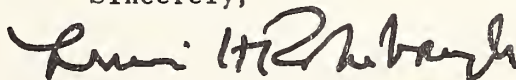
Dr. Conoway's arrival fills one of two staff positions vacant for some time. Appointment of the new assistant director will be announced shortly.

Our good wishes to:

Douglas Ensminger, who has accepted a position with the Ford Foundation and leaves November 3 for two years in New Delhi, India. Dr. Ensminger has been a pillar of strength in the Graduate School. A member of the staff since 1940, his courses in Social Psychology and Group and Community Relations have been popular for several years. During the past year, he carried much of the load in the Point IV seminar.

Marion Goldsworthy, who retires as senior pathologist in fruit and vegetable crops BPISAE, at the end of this month. Dr. Goldsworthy has been a member of the GS Biological Sciences Department for several years.

Sincerely,



Director

